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SPECIAL BODY FOR EDUCATION
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any special body in India to study 'various courses, syllabi, standards and credits and to equate them in relation to various universities in India and abroad;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, whether the Government are considering to appoint such body in the context of rapid globalization;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) Association of Indian Universities (AIU) is a specialbody in India to evaluate the courses, syllabi, standard and credits of foreign Universities and to equate them in relation to various courses offered by Indian Universities.

(b) The AIUi s mainly concerned with the recognition of Degrees/Diplomas awarded by the accredited Universities inIndia and abroad for the purpose of admission to higher courses at Indian Universities. The AIU is also an implementing agencyfor the agreements signed under the Cultural Exchange Programme executed between India and other countries in the field of education, in so far as it relates to the recognition of foreign qualifications (except for medicine and allied courses).

(c) to (e) Do not arise.